1: Roth--101 (No date) 1890 Tasmanians
116, 226, 262

"Although Holman (IV. ch. xii. p. 405) speaks of 'their expertness in spearing the finny tribe,' it appears most probable that they never touched scale fish. Melville (p. 346) certainly says: 'Those near the sea-shore lived almost entirely upon fish;' but then he makes in the context no reference to shell-fish, and from what follows he probably means the latter. Lloyd states most emphatically (p. 51): 'Throughout my hunting experience with the aborigines, I never saw them capture an edible fish excepting of the shelly species.' Collins, describing Bass's discoveries (ch. xv. p. 169), while speaking of the shell-mounds, says: 'No remains of fish were ever seen.' Rossel (I. ch. iv. p. 56), speaking likewise of the mounds, says: 'We perceived, moreover, no débris of fishes;' but La Billardiére says (II. ch. xi. p. 77): 'They acquainted us that they lived upon fish as well as the other inhabitants of Cape Diemen.' The reader will notice that La Billardiére does not say they lived on fish, only that they said they did. Cook reports (Third Voy. Bk. I. ch. vi. p. 39): 'They also refused some elephant fish, both raw and cooked.' And, finally, in describing the settlement at Flinders Island, Calder says (Journ. p. 16): 'Of shell fish there were few or none, and no other fish would any native of Tasmania ever touch...; they would rather starve than eat it.'"

1: Roth--107-108 (No date) 1890 Tasmanians
116, 226, 252

"Péron describes a family which was returning from fishing; nearly all the individuals were loaded with shell-fish [108] belonging to that large variety of oreille de mer peculiar to these shores (ch. xii. p. 226), and (ibid. p. 254) his meeting with some twenty female aborigines, 'as they were evidently returning from fishing, they were all laden with large crabs, craw-fish and shell-fish grilled on the charcoal, which they carried in their rush baskets.'"